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# Royal Djurgården

Royal Djurgården is a green oasis in the middle of the city, with vast areas of forest and open spaces, beloved by both Stockholmers and visitors. The island has been in possession of the crown since the 15th century. Many of the most popular museums and attractions in Stockholm can be found here, and no matter the season, a walk along Djurgården is beautiful and highly recommended.

## **Attractions and museums**

Royal Djurgården hosts more famous museums and cultural attractions than any other area in Stockholm. **ABBA the Museum**, the **Viking Museum**, amusement park **Gröna Lund** and the world's oldest open-air museum **Skansen** are all located here. Here you will also find the children's favorite **Junibacken**, a popular attraction based on the work of the renowned author Astrid Lindgren and Scandinavia's most visited museum, the **Vasa Museum**. Another popular attraction is the **Nordic Museum** which is Swedens largest museum of cultural history.

# Restaurants

The island of Djurgården offer a great variety of restaurants in different price ranges. The guests of restaurant **Oaxen** can experience both a Swedish Bistro at **Oaxen Slip** and true fine dining at **Oaxen Krog**. Both have a clear focus on Swedish, locally sourced and seasonal flavors. Another popular restaurant is the idyllic inn **Ulla Winbladh** which is just a short walk from the bridge Djurgårdsbron where guests enjoy traditional Swedish food in a historical environment. Planning a day of culture and history combined with a lovely meal? The museums in Stockholm are well known for having great restaurants so why not enjoy lunch at one of Djurgårdens several museums during your visit.

## Cafés

**Rosendals Trädgård** is one of Stockholm's true gems! The garden café is located in a fantastic setting and offers salads, soups, sandwiches and pastries made in the bakery next door. **Flickorna Helin** is another charming café located in a castle-like building along the pedestrian path on Djurgården. Its a splendid place for a coffee break between visits to Skansen, the Vasa museum, and other nearby attractions.

#### **Accommodation**

With a tranquil atmosphere but still close to the vivid city life of Stockholm City, staying at a hotel on Djurgården is an excellent choice. Stay in the beautiful surroundings of **Villa Källhagen** and enjoy the view of the canal just outside the window. **Hotel Hasselbacken** is a great option for families with plenty of children friendly activities. **Pop House**, the boutique hotel located in the same building as ABBA the Museum, which makes it a perfect match for all music lovers.

# **Art Galleries**

**Liljevalchs Konsthall** is one of Stockholm's most attractive exhibition settings, showing art and design. A recurring feature every year at Liljevalchs is the popular Spring Salon, which is a jury-rated exhibition displayed from mid-January to March. **The Thiel Gallery** is one of the finest art museums in Sweden and exhibits a unique collection of late 19th and early 20th-century Nordic art. **Prince Eugen's Waldemarsudde** is the popular art museum and the former estate of prince Eugen. Visit the prince's reception rooms and see his collection of early 20th Century Nordic art as well as temporary exhibitions.

# Get there and getting around

Royal Djurgården can be reached by bus, tram or ferry from central Stockholm. Otherwise the 20-minute walk from the Royal Dramatic Theatre along Strandvägen to the bridge Djurgårdsbron is one of Stockholm's most scenic and popular walks. At the visitor's center located just past the bridge, visitors can receive tourist information as well as rent both bikes and kayaks. Biking around the beautiful and green island is a convenient and a fun way to explore Djurgården.

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